

***Amendments***

Kindly enter the following amendments.

***In the Title***

On page 1, line 1, please delete "METHODS" and insert the following therefor:

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METHOD OF PREPARING A SOMATIC CELL FOR NUCLEAR TRANSFER

***In the Specification:***

Immediately prior to the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 3, please insert the following caption and paragraph:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/475,674, filed December 30, 1999, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/128,544, filed April 9, 1999. This application also claims priority to Great Britain Patent Application No. 9905033.8, filed March 4, 1999, and to Great Britain Patent Application No. 9917023.5, filed July 20, 1999. The contents of the foregoing U.S. and Great Britain patent applications are hereby incorporated by reference in their entireties.

***In the Claims:***

Please cancel claims 2-61 without prejudice or disclaimer.